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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No.: 10/728,705

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Title: **PRESSURE-BASED SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING
CARDIAC STROKE VOLUME**

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 20, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, July 20, 2006 in the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the Claim Listing, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.